



# The Combined Catholic Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham

~ Revealing the Kingdom together ~

## Weekend Mass Times

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## Weekday Mass Times at Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

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### Cooks who Care

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## 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) - 4th October 2020

### 1st Reading – A reading from the prophet Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend has a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

### Responsorial Psalm – R: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations.  
It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R.**

Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by.  
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. **R.**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name.  
God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. **R.**

### 2nd Reading – First letter of St Paul to the Philippians 4:6–9

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

### Alleluia, alleluia

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

### Alleluia, alleluia.

### Gospel – Holy Gospel according to Matthew 21:33–43

Please see page 2 for today's Gospel.

## Parish Family Prayer

October is traditionally a month dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

I invite you to pray the Rosary with me as a parish family, each Friday during October. This would be via Zoom on each Friday evening at 7.00pm.

If you would like to take part in this precious devotion, please send an email to: [kyneton@cam.org.au](mailto:kyneton@cam.org.au) and an invitation link will be forwarded to you.

Fridays: 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th of October at 7.00pm.

You are welcome to join in on all or some of the evenings.

*May we pray together as one family.*

*Fr Declan.*

## Gospel – Holy Gospel according to Matthew 21:33–43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone.

This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

**Today's Readings:** Vineyards and olive groves are still to be seen gracing the hillsides of Israel and Palestine. They have both played a significant role in the agricultural economy of the region. More importantly for us vines, vineyards and grapes have all served as important symbols in the religious imagination of Israel. Prophets and poets often spoke of Israel as God's vineyard. It is no surprise that Jesus makes use of this time honoured tradition.

Both Isaiah and Jesus are inviting us out of our scientific mindsets into the world of symbol and myth. How could they do otherwise? Their subject is love. All they have to say is about the love affair between Creator and creation, between Divine Lover and humankind. Love demands a poetic form of discourse, and this is what we are given today. But prophetic poetry can convey hard truths and pronounce sentence as we soon see. In between these challenging texts Paul invites us to imagine ourselves filled with the peace of God. "There is no need to worry . . . The God of peace will be with you".

### Cooks Who Care—Home Cooked Meals Just A Call Away!

Our parish based, Cooks Who Care, have been very busy making up delicious home cooked meals. During these Covid times we understand not being always able to leave home for daily food essentials can be very stressful. Know we are all here to help. If you or someone you know would welcome a few meals contact Liz 0424 259 500 or Dorothy 0411 454 258. We Care.

There are also prepared meals available from the parish office. You are welcome to call the parish office if you would like to have a meal lovingly prepared by 'Cooks Who Care.'

### Pre-Loved Pedlar Open Again!!!

Enquiries & Updates:  
5422 7134 or  
[prelovedpedlar@gmail.com](mailto:prelovedpedlar@gmail.com)

Remember to remain  
Covid19 safe.



### Saint's Feast Days for the week

Oct 5	St Maria Faustyna Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament (Opt)
Oct 6	St Bruno, Priest (Opt) Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, virgin
Oct 7	Our Lady of the Rosary (Mem)
Oct 9	St Denis & Companions, Martyrs (Opt) St John Leonardi, Priest (Opt) St Hector Valdivielso Saez (Martyr)
Oct 10	St John XXIII

### Marriage & Coffee

Shortly after tying the knot, a young married couple started arguing over who should make the coffee. Being a good Christian woman, the wife went to the scriptures for her answer. She said that the Bible specifically stated that men should be the ones to make the coffee.

Puzzled, the husband asked her where in the Bible it said that. Very confidently, the wife opened up her Bible and said: "It's right here—HEBREWS!"



### IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER



We remember in the charity of our prayer those who have died recently:

We also remember those whose anniversaries occur around this time, especially: *Clarrie Rjordan & Dorothy Fitzgerald*

Eternal Rest Grant into them O Lord,  
and may Perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they Rest in Peace.

For those who are unwell in our community and beyond, especially:

*Elizabeth Hutton*      *Maureen Green*      *Denise Guzman*  
*Chantel McIntyre*      *Austin Yeoman*      *Fabienne Toselli*

and anyone who is unwell, especially due to the Coronavirus.

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

*The simple and loving act of Spiritual Communion (written by St. Alphonsus Liguori) can be made when we are unable to attend Mass and receive the Eucharist. Pray these words:*

**My Jesus,  
I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I long for You in my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
As though You have already come,  
I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;  
never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.**

### Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation - [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne) 03 9890 1101

- 'Walking with Wisdom' Contemplative Sessions** (via Zoom). Thursdays, 10am-12.30pm (AEST) on 8, 15, 22 & 29 Oct 2020. A series of contemplative sessions with Carole Carmody rsm and Marlene McGrath, providing opportunities for Deep Listening: to oneself at this unique time in our lives; to Divine Wisdom in the Heart, and in the Hearts of Others; and to engage in a gentle, creative response. Join for one or all sessions. Cost: \$85 for the series or \$25 per session. Bookings: [www.trybooking.com/BLILH](http://www.trybooking.com/BLILH)
- Are You Called to be a Spiritual Director?** The Siloam Program is a full-time or part-time program to form Spiritual Directors. It is suitable for those who wish to companion others on their spiritual journey, helping them to notice the movement of God in their hearts and in their lived experience. The program, which commences on 4th February 2021, blends academic and supervisory work to foster a discerning, contemplative approach. The program may be offered face-to-face, online via Zoom, or a combination of both. It may be studied as a Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction at the University of Divinity, with Fee-Help available to qualifying students. Previous participants have commented that this program has been transformational for their personal spirituality and has deepened their awareness and ability to listen. Brochure, application form or further details, please contact us.

**March for Babies October 2020** Live Streamed 1pm, October 10. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, the Annual March for the Babies 2020 will be a Live Streamed event. Join in online: [www.mftb.online](http://www.mftb.online) for Victoria's largest pro-life event in defence of the victims of Victoria's inhumane abortion laws, unborn children and their mothers. Featured speakers, powerful testimonies, music and opportunities to promote the "culture of life". *Greg Byrne for Bernie Finn, Chairman*

### Positions Available

- \*Catholic Development Fund (2):
    - Business Analyst – Client Services,
    - Financial Controller (12-month contract),
  - \*St Mary's College, Melbourne University:
    - Dean
- Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://cam.org.au/human-resources/vacancies/>

### Weekly address by Archbishop Peter Comensoli

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mk3TNUew79w&t=81s>

*Financial Offering.* Only if you are in a financial position to do so, you may wish to help towards the upkeep of the parish, especially during this time of Covid 19 restrictions. There are a number of ways to do this. Whatever your contribution, it is most gratefully received.

- Envelope which can be left under the door of the Parish Office in Kyneton
- Online contribution you may give directly to our bank - details as follows: *Please ensure reference details are clear*

<u>St Mary Magdalen Trentham:</u>	BSB 083 347; A/c # 451603919;	Reference: Thanksgiving + your name
<u>Our Lady of the Rosary Kyneton:</u>	BSB 083 347; A/c # 678889421;	Reference: Thanksgiving + your name
- The Church Development Fund (CDF) have a link which you can choose to give an online donation as a one off, or continuing, nominating either the Presbytery Account or the Parish Account.

<https://secure.artezpacific.com/registant TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=116561&langPref=en-CA>

Hit the above link, which will take you to a page where you can select which Church, Blackwood, Kyneton or Trentham, then follow the prompts:

1. Select the Church you wish to support
2. To the left of your screen select "Support My Parish"
3. The next page you can select from the following options
4. Give one time or set up a recurring offering
5. Select suggested amounts or insert your preferred amount
6. Nominate your offering to Presbytery or Parish
7. Fill in your details
8. Enter your credit cards details.

*Please note this set up is a secure site*

## Something for our young parishioners — or the young at heart

God is patient with us as we do our best to follow his Son, Jesus.

Think about the patience of God and all the ways you can say 'Yes' to Jesus as you complete this week's activity.

You will need white paper, purple paper, scissors, glue and a green pencil.

Copy and cut out the template.

Colour the leaf and stem green.

Cut out strips of purple paper as shown in the image.

Roll the purple strips as shown and glue them onto the grapes template.



### The Story

In today's gospel, the vineyard represents the Jewish nation. The owner is God. The servants represent the prophets sent by God to challenge and call back those who have lost their way. Many of these prophets were killed. The son who finally comes is of course Jesus!

### Something to Think About

God has given us the world to look after and 'cultivate'. What are we doing to care for the world? What are we doing to care for the people of the world who have less than we do?

### Family Discussion

This parable can tell us much about God, the owner of the vineyard. It tells us that God trusts us. The owner rented out the vineyard and then the country trusting that it would be looked after. The parable also tells us that God is patient. Servant after servant is sent! Finally it tells about God's justice.

What is your image of God – who is God for you?

What do you think God is like?

What words or images describe how God loves, how God acts, how God is just?